

## **Anza-Borrego Desert State Park**

### **Interpretive Activities October 2011**

**October 2, 1-2 pm Desert Stargazing Basics with Dennis Mammana.** In this one-hour lecture at the Visitor Center, astronomer Dennis Mammana will demonstrate how to read a star map, how to use your eyes like a pro, and how to find those seemingly impossible star patterns. \$10

**October 8, 4-7 pm International Observe the Moon Night.** Come celebrate our nearest celestial neighbor! We'll have moon activities at the visitor center during the day and will stick around after closing to watch the moonrise from the roof. Bring binoculars if you have them, but we'll have a telescope set up also.

**October 15-16 Desert Stargazing.** This two-day workshop is designed for beginning stargazers interested in exploring amateur astronomy. Learn what's in the sky, how the heavens move, how to find your way around the maze of stars, and how to view some of its wonders through a telescope. Visit [www.theabf.org](http://www.theabf.org) to sign up.

**October 16, 8-11 am Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon.** Look for Volunteer Naturalist Ann Keenan along the trail; she can answer your questions and talk about what you might see in the canyon. \$5 Day Use fee required to park at trailhead.

**October 22, 7:30-9 am Birdwalk at the Visitor Center with Ann Keenan.** All levels are welcome on this easy stroll.

**October 23, 7:30-10 am Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon.** Look for Volunteer Naturalist Joe Hopkins along the trail; he can answer your questions and talk about what you might see in the canyon. \$5 Day Use fee required to park at trailhead.

**October 23, 1-2 pm Night Sky Photography Basics with Dennis Mammana.** Enjoy some of Mammana's classic night sky images as you learn the basics of capturing beautiful celestial photographs during this one-hour presentation. \$10

**October 29, 7:30-9 am Birdwalk at the Visitor Center with Ann Keenan.** All levels are welcome on this easy stroll.

**October 29 & November 5 Cahuilla Style Pottery.** In this 2-day workshop with expert potter Tony Soares, you'll learn how to make your own pottery using Native American techniques. Visit [www.theabf.org](http://www.theabf.org) to sign up.

**October 30, 1:30-2:30 pm Snakes!** Volunteer Naturalist Joe Hopkins introduces the snake species that frequent Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and the surrounding areas. Visitor Center Discovery Lab.